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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

SDNG Transportation Company changes command

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. – Capt. Jason Kimura, of Rapid City, assumed command of the South Dakota Army National Guard's 1742nd Transportation Company at a May 2 ceremony in Sioux Falls.

Kimura received command of the Sioux Falls and Flandreau-based 1742nd from Capt. Tyler Gerlach, who had commanded the unit since Dec. 1, 2012.

"Gerlach is an excellent leader and filling his boots will not be easy," Kimura said, after accepting command of the more than 160 Soldiers of the 1742nd. "I am up for the challenge and excited to begin training as we move the unit forward and continue with excellence."

In civilian life, Kimura is employed by Shawn Krull Designs in Rapid City as a project manager. He has been a member of the SDARNG for 10 years.

Gerlach will be assigned as the S4 logistics officer with the Headquarters Company of the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion in Pierre.

The 1742nd provides transportation of dry and refrigerated containerized cargo, general non-containerized cargo, and bulk water and fuel products, using its M-915A tractors with M872A1 trailers to complete assigned missions.

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High-resolution photos available upon request.



150502-Z-ZZ999-002: U.S. Army Capt. Jason Kimura, left, of Rapid City, prepares to receive the South Dakota Army National Guard's 1742nd Transportation Company guidon from Lt. Col. Jade Beehler, right, 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion commander, during a change of command ceremony in Sioux Falls, May 2, 2015. Kimura received command of the Sioux Falls and Flandreau-based 1742nd from Capt. Tyler Gerlach, who had commanded the unit since Dec. 1, 2012. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Spc. Jerico White/Released)



150502-Z-ZZ999-001: Capt. Jason Kimura, right, of Rapid City, stands in formation prior to assuming command of the South Dakota Army National Guard's 1742nd Transportation Company, at a May 2, 2015, ceremony in Sioux Falls. Kimura received command of the Sioux Falls and Flandreau-based company from Capt. Tyler Gerlach, left, who had commanded the unit since Dec. 1, 2012. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Spc. Jerico White/Released)

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